

**Legislature - First Session - 2019**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB556**

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**Chairperson: Senator Sara Howard**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: February 13, 2019**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 556 amends Nebraska Statutes surrounding the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) to do the following:

- Allow for interstate data sharing with other state prescription drug monitoring programs;
- Allow for highly regulated sharing of de-identified prescription data for research purposes;
- Add requirements for prescription and identifying data to be collected to aid in patient matching and medication reconciliation;
- Give non-statutory flexibility to the Department of Health and Human Services in collaboration with the PDMP in altering data collection provisions;
- Allow Medicaid Managed Care organizations and Nebraska Medicaid officials access to the PDMP.

LB 556 contains an emergency clause.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Sara Howard